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No additional fee is required.

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This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

Claims as Amended

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	1	5) nt extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	12	Minus	20	0	х	\$18 (9)	= \$0.00
Independent claims	4	Minus	4	0	х	\$86 (43)	= \$0.00
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- ** If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.
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- ☐ This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$290(145) has been previously paid ☐, or is paid herewith ☐.
- This response is being filed within the first month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a one-month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$110.00 is attached, which covers the cost of
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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 26, 2003, please amend the above-

identified application as follows:

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